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**STATE OF MAINE  
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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 356, L.D. 463, Bill, "An Act Concerning Policy Objectives of the Public Utilities Commission"

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and before the summary and inserting the following:

**'Sec. 1. 35-A MRSA §3215, sub-§1, ¶A,** as enacted by PL 1997, c. 316, §3, is amended to read:

A. Intervene and participate in proceedings at the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, the United States Department of Energy and other federal agencies and in proceedings conducted by Canadian or other authorities or agencies whenever the interests of competition, consumers of electricity or economic development in this State are affected. When intervening or participating in proceedings under this paragraph, the commission shall promote system reliability, the reduction of the cost of electricity to ratepayers in the State and long-term sustainable resource planning; and'

**SUMMARY**

The bill proposes to amend the powers and duties of the Public Utilities Commission. This amendment moves the proposed language to a different section of law, from the chapter in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 35-A setting out the general powers and duties of the commission to the chapter governing commission authority and responsibilities for electric industry restructuring.

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**